

Amendments to and listing of the Claims:

Please amend claims 1-12 as follows. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) Appliance for water-jet surgery, comprising a plurality of supply cylinders ~~(10)~~ in which is stored and pistons arrangements each defining an outlet and adapted to store a working fluid ~~(11)~~ that can be expelled, by means of ~~a~~ the piston ~~(12)~~, through an ~~outlet~~ ~~(13)~~ into said outlet; a pressure conduit ~~(20)~~, in communication with said outlets and into which said working fluid is expelled; at least one actuation device ~~(30)~~ to actuate the piston ~~(12)~~, and pistons; and a change-over device ~~(50)~~ to shift the actuation from the piston ~~(12)~~ of one supply cylinder ~~(10-1)~~ to the piston ~~(12)~~ of another supply cylinder ~~(10-n)~~, so in order that, in use, the working fluid ~~(11)~~ can be ejected into the pressure conduit ~~(20)~~ from consecutively emptied emptying supply cylinders ~~(10)~~.

2. (Currently Amended) Appliance according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that the~~ wherein said change-over device ~~(50)~~ is designed so adapted such that the consecutive actuation periods of ~~actuation~~ each of the pistons ~~(12)~~ can overlap one another, with the result in order that expulsion of the fluid ~~(11)~~ into the ~~said~~ pressure conduit ~~(20)~~ is uninterrupted.

3. (Currently Amended) Appliance according to ~~one of the preceding~~ claims, characterized by claim 1, wherein a sealing device ~~(43)~~ to seal the is provided to provide a leak proof connection to each fluid outlet ~~(13)~~.

4. (Currently Amended) Appliance according to ~~one of the preceding~~ claims, ~~characterized in that~~ claim 1, wherein a plurality of actuation devices ~~(30-1)~~ is provided.

5. (Currently Amended) Appliance according to ~~one of the preceding~~ claims, characterized in that the pistons ~~(12)~~ comprise claim 1, wherein each of said pistons comprises a back-flow barriers ~~(14)~~ barrier such that, after

~~a~~said piston ~~(12)~~ has reached a position in which ~~the~~it has expelled said working fluid ~~(11) has been expelled, the~~ from its associated cylinder, said piston cannot be pushed back into a previous position.

6. (Currently Amended) Appliance according to ~~one of the preceding claims, characterized in that at the outlet (13) a preferably~~claim 1, wherein an irreversibly openable transport gasket is provided at said outlet of each cylinder.

7. (Currently Amended) Appliance according to ~~one of the preceding claims, characterized by~~claim 1, wherein a change-over magazine (40) is provided to receive a group of supply cylinders (10) cylinder and piston arrangements.

8. (Currently Amended) Appliance according to Claim 7, ~~characterized in that the~~ wherein said change-over magazine ~~(40) comprises~~defines chambers ~~(42) that closely surround said the supply cylinders (10).~~

9. (Currently Amended) Appliance according to ~~one of the claims 7 or 8, characterized in that~~claim 7, wherein collection devices are provided in the change-over magazine (40) there are provided collection devices (45) to conduct working fluid (11) from several said supply cylinders (10) to the said pressure conduit (20).

10. (Currently Amended) Appliance according to ~~one of the preceding claims, characterized by~~claim 1, wherein ventilation devices (46) are provided for the preferably simultaneous removal of air from conduit sections located between the outlets (13) of the supply cylinders (10) and the pressure conduit (20).

11. (Currently Amended) Appliance according to Claim 10, ~~characterized in that the~~ wherein ventilation devices are disposed in a change-over magazine ~~(40).~~

12. (Currently Amended) Appliance according to ~~one of the claims 7 to 11, characterized in that the~~claim 7, wherein said change-over magazine (40) is irreversibly connected to the pressure conduit (20), to form a single-use unit.